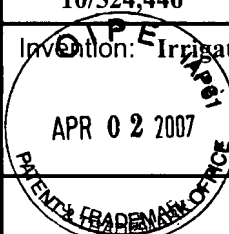
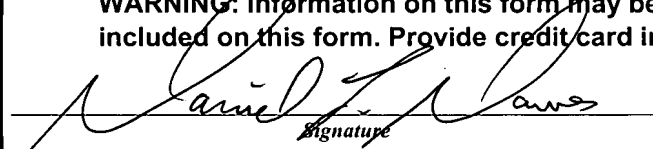
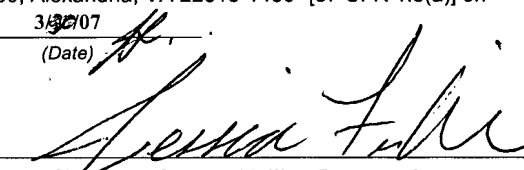


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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the claims as follows. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

A check for the appropriate claims fee is enclosed. Please charge any deficit or credit any surplus to our Deposit Account No. 01-1960. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed for this purpose.

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